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Channel Change 301 Begin Caching Incoming 302 Data Stream Find 303 PAT Data Find 304 PMT Data From **PAT Data** Find Audio/Video PID Data 305 From PMT Data Load Audio/Video PID Data Into Transport/Decoders Send

Data From Cache For Decoding (57) Abstract: An apparatus (100) performs a data caching operation responsive to a channel change event which reduces channel change times. According to an exemplary embodiment, the apparatus (100) includes a cache memory (103) operative to cache an incoming data stream responsive to a channel change command. A processor (101) is operative to find program specific information (PSI) included within the incoming data stream. A decoder (104) is operative to decode the cached data stream responsive to the processor (101) finding the program specific information.

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